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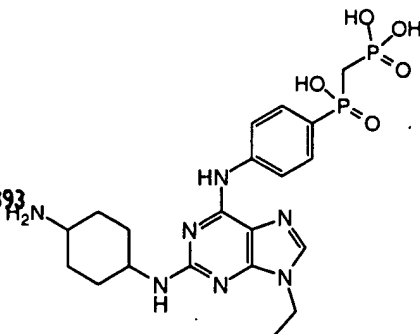
Request for Three Month Extension & Response to Office Action

This is in Response to the Office Action mailed on 1/10/02, a response to which was originally due on 2/10/02. Applicants hereby request a three-month extension for responding and authorize the Commissioner to charge the fee for such extension to Deposit Account No. 01-2315. The new deadline is now 5/10/02, and this response should be considered timely filed.

Response

The above-identified application has been subjected to an election of species requirement under the PTO's discretionary authority provided by 35 USC 121. Applicants traverse that requirement on the grounds that search and consideration of the entire claimed subject matter would not be unduly burdensome.

Election of species. However, in order to provide a complete response, applicants elect the following species:



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(2d from last compound in the table on page 76 of the specification)

Listing of claims readable thereon. Claims readable on the elected species include the following:

1 - 4, 6 - 21, 25 - 27, 33, 35 - 37 and 40 - 46.

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